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H. R. 3190

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to issue a discharge permit which modifies certain requirements with respect to the discharge of pollutants into the ocean from a publicly owned treatment works where an aggressive water reclamation program is being implemented.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 1993

Mr. FILNER introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Public Works and Transportation and Merchant Marine and Fisheries

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That section 301 of the Federal Water Pollution Control
4 Act (33 U.S.C. 1311) is amended by adding at the end
5 the following:

1 “(q) MODIFIED PERMIT RELATING TO MARINE EN-
2 VIRONMENTAL PROTECTION THROUGH AGGRESSIVE
3 WATER RECLAMATION PROGRAMS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator, with
5 the concurrence of the State, may issue a permit
6 under section 402 which modifies the requirements
7 of subsection (b)(1)(B) of this section with respect
8 to the discharge of any pollutant from a publicly
9 owned treatment works into marine waters if the ap-
10 plicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Ad-
11 ministrator that—

12 “(A) such discharge is at a depth that the
13 Administrator determines will not damage the
14 marine environment;

15 “(B) such discharge is subject to chemi-
16 cally enhanced primary treatment; and

17 “(C) the applicant is implementing an ag-
18 gressive water reclamation and reuse program
19 that will result in a significant reduction in the
20 amount of suspended solids mass load and ef-
21 fluent volume (measured on a yearly basis) dis-
22 charged into the marine environment. The pro-
23 gram must be cost effective and not result in an
24 unreasonable increase in sewer and water rates.

1 “(2) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this sub-
2 section, the phrase ‘the discharge of any pollutant
3 into marine waters’ has the meaning such phrase
4 has under subsection (h) of this section.”.

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